

Overview of Changes from 2009-2010 to 2010-2011



This section provides an overview of the changes made from 2009-2010 to 2010-2011 for Common Origination and Disbursement (COD). The changes made for the 2010-2011 Award year will be implemented in the COD System beginning March 2010.

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Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Changes

Changes from 2009-2010 to 2010-2011

The change descriptions are organized by the following three categories: Added, Modified, and Removed. The first column provides a description of each change. The remaining columns indicate which programs the change will affect.

Additions to Common Origination and Disbursement

Description	Pell Grant Program	ACG Program	National SMART Grant Program	Direct Loan Program	TEACH Grant Program
Creation of StudentLoans.gov Website				✓	
Perkins Loan Program				✓	
Direct Loan PNote and Disclosure Updates				✓	
Edits				✓	

Modifications to Common Origination and Disbursement

Description	Pell Grant Program	ACG Program	National SMART Grant Program	Direct Loan Program	TEACH Grant Program
Maximum Pell Eligibility for Post 9/11 Dependents of Deceased Veterans	✓				
Pell Lifetime Eligibility Used	✓				
Modifications to Pell funding	✓				

Removals from Common Origination and Disbursement

Description	Pell Grant Program	ACG Program	National SMART Grant Program	Direct Loan Program	TEACH Grant Program
Push Cash/Just in Time Funding Option Removed for DL Schools	-	-	-	✓	-

Additions to COD for 2010-2011

Creation of StudentLoans.gov Website

Beginning in March 2010, a new website called StudentLoans.gov will be launched to replace the existing eMPN website. The StudentLoans.gov website will allow parent and student borrowers to complete an electronic Master Promissory Note (eMPN). The website will also allow parent borrowers and graduate student borrowers to apply for a PLUS loan. Further updates include:

- DL Entrance Counseling
- Electronic Endorsers

Schools can now submit up to 20 disbursements for a single PLUS award for one student beginning in March 2010.

The StudentLoans.gov website will allow a borrower or endorser to complete a PLUS application and submit a credit check before or after a PLUS award is submitted to COD. The PLUS application will be stored on the COD system and application acknowledgements will be sent to participating schools.

Edits

The COD system will begin returning the following new Edits for the Direct Loan PLUS Program starting March 2010:

Edit 179

Reject Edit 179, “Financial Award Amount exceeds Financial Award Amount Requested” will be returned when:

- The Financial Award Amount submitted exceeds the Financial Award Amount Requested.
- OR the Financial Award Amount Requested submitted is less than the Financial Award Amount

Edit 180

Reject Edit 180, “Disbursement Release Indicator Set to ‘true’ for PLUS award with PLUS Credit Decision Status Pending/Declined” will be returned when the Disbursement Release Indicator is set to “true” and there is no approved PLUS Credit Decision Status on file for this loan. An approved PLUS Credit Decision Status must be obtained for a PLUS borrower prior to disbursement.

Edit 181

Reject Edit 181, “Invalid identifier change for PLUS award with PLUS Credit Decision Status Pending/Declined” will be triggered when a PLUS award without an approved PLUS Credit Decision Status is submitted with one or more of the following tags for student or borrower:

- SSN Change

- Date of Birth Change
- Last Name Change
- First Name Change
- Middle Name Change

Edit 182

Reject Edit 182, “Invalid award maintenance for PLUS award with PLUS Credit Decision Status Pending/Declined” will be triggered when a PLUS award without an approved PLUS Credit Decision Status is submitted with award maintenance that is not one of the following:

- The Financial Award Amount submitted exceeds the Financial Award Amount Requested.
- OR the Financial Award Amount Requested submitted is less than the Financial Award Amount.

Edit 183

Warning Edit 183, “PLUS award accepted due to valid Endorser match with PLUS Credit Decision Status Pending/Declined” will be triggered when a PLUS award without an approved PLUS Credit Decision Status is accepted because an existing valid Endorser linked to the PLUS award.

Edit 184

Warning Edit 184, "Financial Award Amount exceeds Endorser Amount" will be returned when disbursements with DRI = 'true' are submitted on a PLUS award with an existing valid Endorser linked and the Financial Award Amount is greater than the Endorser Amount.

Edit 184:
Disbursements with DRI = 'true'
CANNOT be submitted for the PLUS
award until the Financial Award
Amount is less than or equal to the
Endorser Amount.

Edit Changes June 2010

The COD system will begin returning the following new Edits for the Direct Loan PLUS Program starting June 2010:

Edit 50

Reject Edit 50, “Disbursement Date Outside Allowable Window” will be modified to trigger for Foreign Schools when:

- The Disbursement date is 30 days prior to the Financial Award Begin Date.
- OR the Disbursement date is 180 days after the Financial Award End Date.

Edit 191

Reject Edit 191, “Incorrect HPPA Indicator” will be triggered when a Foreign School has submitted a Direct Loan Unsubsidized award with the HPPA indicator equal to ‘true’.

Direct Perkins Loan Program

- *Schema version 3.0c includes a new "Perkins" block and related adjustments to other sections of the schema in preparation for potential changes to the Federal Perkins Loan Program. The new block and adjustments currently reflect changes proposed in pending legislation and should be viewed as informational. If final legislation is enacted, we will communicate operational guidance about implementation of Perkins changes. This guidance will include final disposition on Perkins information in the schema.*

The Direct Perkins Loan Program is a campus-based program which provides need-based, low interest loans to post-secondary level education students. After final legislation is enacted, the COD system will update existing Direct Loan reports to incorporate the new Perkins loan type 30 Day Warning Report

- SSN/Date of Birth/Name Change Report

Edits

The COD system will begin returning the following new Edits for the Direct Perkins Loan Program starting March 2010:

Edit 185

Reject Edit 185, "Incorrect Undergraduate Perkins Amount" will be returned when an incoming Perkins Undergraduate award causes the cumulative loan amount of all applicable Undergraduate awards at a single school to exceed the Undergraduate Perkins Loan Limit.

Edit 186

Reject Edit 186, "Incorrect Graduate Perkins Amount" will be returned when the incoming Perkins Graduate award causes the cumulative loan amount of all applicable Graduate awards at a single school to exceed the Graduate Perkins Loan Limit.

Edit 187

Reject Edit 187, "Incorrect Student Grade Level Change for a Perkins Award" will be returned when a Grade Level change from Graduate to Undergraduate, or vice versa, is submitted and the award and disbursement amounts are not \$0.00.

Edit 188

Reject Edit 188, "Funded Disbursement Amount Exceeds School's Perkins Funding Limit" will be returned when an actual (DRI='true') disbursement causes the cumulative funded disbursement amount of all Undergraduate and Graduate awards in an Award Year, for a particular School, to exceed their individual School funding limit for that Award Year.

Edit 189

Reject Edit 189, "Disbursement information is incomplete or rejected, Perkins award is not accepted" will be returned when the accepted

disbursements (actual or anticipated) do not equal the entire Perkins award amount.

Edit 190

Reject Edit 190, “Cannot change the EDD on an active loan” will be returned when a maintenance record with a new disbursement, disbursement date change or DRI change from 'false' to 'true' is submitted that would change the Earliest Disbursement Date of an award when the award is still active.

Direct Loan PNote and Plain Language Disclosure Updates

The Direct Loan Master Promissory Notes and Plain Language Disclosure will be updated to support HEOA Legislation. The updates will include:

- Text revisions to the Sub/Unsub MPN, PLUS MPN, and Endorser Addendum to the PLUS MPN
- Revisions to the insert for the existing Sub/Unsub MPN and Plain Language Disclosure
- Revisions to the insert for the existing PLUS Endorser Addendum, PLUS Endorser MPN booklet, and the PLUS Plain Language Disclosure

Modifications to COD for 2010-2011

Maximum Pell Eligibility for Dependents of Deceased Veterans who died in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001

In June 2009, Pell eligible students who were dependents of a veteran who died as a result of service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001 became eligible for the maximum Pell award as if they had a zero EFC.

Beginning in March 2010, the “Post 9/11 Deceased Veteran Dependent Indicator” will never be blank but will always be marked **Yes** or **No** on the COD Web.

Beginning in March 2010, the COD System will use the DoD match results from the student’s CPS record to populate the “Post 9/11 Deceased Veteran Dependent Indicator”, if the school includes the CPS transaction number containing the DoD match results when submitting the award.

- COD will use the “DoD Match Flag” field in the student’s CPS data to set the “Post 9/11 Deceased Veteran Dependent Indicator” when the CPS transaction is used in award processing.
- From March 2010 and forward, there will always be a value displayed in the “Post 9/11 Deceased Veteran Dependent Indicator” field.

In March 2010 and forward, schools will no longer be able to change the Post 9/11 Deceased Veteran Dependent Indicator. Schools must contact Customer Service to have this indicator altered in any way.

Beginning in March 2010, schools must contact a customer service representative to update the “Post 9/11 Deceased Veteran Dependent Indicator” value.

Pell Lifetime Eligibility Used

Beginning in the 2010-2011 Award Year, COD will return the `<LifetimeEligibilityUsed>` tag in the Common Record Response and the Negative Disbursement System-Generated response for Pell Awards for First Time Pell Recipients for the 2010-2011 Award Year and forward.

Modifications to Pell Advance Funding

Beginning with the 2010-2011 Award Year and forward, the maximum number of days for Pell Advance Funded schools to submit actual disbursements of “true” has been reduced from thirty days to seven days.

Changes Effective August 2010

Iraq Afghanistan Service Grant

Iraq Afghanistan Service Grant Indicator (IAS Grant): IAS Grant Indicator will be added to the Pell award for Award Years 2010-2011 and forward. This indicator will allow Pell ineligible students, identified by the Department of Defense as a student of a parent who died while serving in Iraq or Afghanistan, to be awarded IAS Grant funds.

Edit Changes

The COD system will begin returning the following new Edits for the Pell Grant Award Program starting August 2010:

Edit 192

Warning edit, “Pell Award submitted with IASG Indicator equal to ‘true’” will be returned when a Pell award maintenance record is submitted with the IASG Indicator equal to ‘true’ for that award at that school.

Edit 193

Reject edit, “Incorrect change to the IAS Grant Indicator” will be triggered when the IAS Grant Indicator is changed from 'false' to 'true' for a Pell award with Funded Disbursement(s).

Edit 194

Reject edit, “Funded Disbursement not allowed for a Pell award with IASG Indicator equal to ‘true’” will be triggered when a funded disbursement (DRI = true) was submitted on a Pell award with the IASG indicator equal to ‘true’.

Removals from COD for 2010-2011

Pushed Cash/Just-in-Time Funding Discontinued for Direct Loan Schools

Beginning in March 2010, the Push Cash option will no longer be available for Direct Loan schools. This means that effective March 2010, the Push Cash/Just-in-Time Funding option will be completely eliminated for all Grant and Loan programs for all schools. All schools that were using Push Cash as an option will be switched to Advance Funded.